GenForward Survey: Attitudes and Interests

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- Survey of The Black Youth Project at the University of Chicago, with AP-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research, by Dr. Cathy Cohen
- First survey of its kind: nationally representative bimonthly survey of over 1750 young adults ages 18-30
- Oversamples of African Americans, Asian Americans, and Latina/o young people
- Focus on race and politics, lived experience of young people of color
- Findings at GenForward Survey.com

Is Donald Trump a Legitimate President?

Is Donald Trump a legitimate or illegitimate President?	African American Adults 18- 30	Asian American Adults 18- 30	Latina/o Adults 18- 30	White Adults 18- 30
Legitimate	25%	36%	28%	53%
Illegitimate	74%	60%	71%	47%

Are things in this Country Headed off the Wrong Track or In the Right Direction?

	African Americans	Asian Americans	Latina/os	Whites
Wrong Track	68%	68%	64%	61%
Right Direction	11%	15%	15%	21%

Three Most important Problems Facing the Country				
	African Americans	Asian Americans	Latina/os	White Adults
Most cited problem	Racism (43%)	Healthcare and immigration (30% each)	Immigration (46%)	Healthcare (29%)
Second Most cited problem	Healthcare (25%)	Racism and education (26% each)	Racism (34%)	Environment and climate change (26%)
Third Most cited problem	Education (22%)	Income inequality (25%)	Education (25%)	Education (25%)
N=	516	277	504	505

Political Participation During Trump's First 50 Days

	African Americans	Asian Americans	Latina/os	Whites
Protest, rally or demonstration	12%	20%	15%	15%
Donate money	9%	15%	10%	12%
Sign petition	13%	12%	13%	15%
Share information online about Trump presidency	39%	43%	43%	44%
Express opinion about the Trump presidency online	45%	36%	42%	41%
Engaged in at least one activity	55%	56%	57%	60%
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Many young adults believe politics and government can still work with some improvements

	African Americans	Asian Americans	Latina/os	Whites
Real problems but can work with some improvements	53%	68%	58%	59%
Seriously broken	39%	24%	32%	33%

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Key Takeaways

- Differences between opinions of young people of color and young white folks
- Skepticism about this administration
- Young people of color still think racism is a major problem in this country
- Civic engagement
- Some hope in institutions

Thank you!

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